

EXHIBIT A
LISTING OF ALL CLAIMS AND AMENDMENTS
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Amendments to the Claim

Claims 1 – 4 (canceled)

Claim 5 (previously canceled)

Claim 6 (previously canceled)

Claim 7 (canceled)

Claim 8 (previously canceled)

Claim 9 (canceled)

Claim 10 (previously canceled)

Claim 11 (previously presented)

11. A method of serving a beverage comprising the steps of:
providing a beverage container assembly comprises a cup and a lid, where the
lid defines a drinking opening and comprises a curved upper wall
extending around a perimeter of the lid, a recessed portion, and a
positioning surface extending downwardly from the upper wall into the
recessed portion adjacent to the drinking opening, where drinking opening
is formed in the upper wall and the positioning surface is adjacent to the
drinking opening;
filling the beverage container assembly with a hot beverage;

providing a substantially planar cover member comprising first and second layers and defining a cover portion, a surrounding cover portion, a tab portion, and a perimeter edge, where

the perimeter edge defines an outer edge portion and an inward edge portion curved to conform to the curvature of the curved upper wall, where outer edge portion opposes the inward edge portion;

the first layer is a structural layer having flexural characteristics that allow the cover member to be transported by engaging the outer and inward edge portions of the perimeter edge of the cover member without substantially deforming the cover member from a substantially planar configuration;

the second layer defines a pressure sensitive adhesive surface adapted to detachably attach the cover member to the lid upon application of deliberate manual force on the cover member; whereby

attaching the cover member to the container assembly in a cover mode by engaging the opposing outer and inner edge portions of the cover member with outer and inner digits, respectively, and applying manual pinching forces to the outer edge and inward edge portions to lift the cover member, aligning the curved inward edge portion of the perimeter edge with the curved upper wall by placing the inner digit against the positioning surface, and bringing the cover member into contact with the upper wall of the raised portion of the lid such that

the adhesive surface on the surrounding cover portion of the cover member adheres the cover member to the lid,

the surrounding cover portion extends completely around the drinking opening,

the cover portion extends over the drinking opening, and

at least a portion of the tab portion of the cover member extends radially outwardly into free space from the upper wall of the lid; and applying deliberate manual force to the tab portion of the cover member that extends into free space to overcome the adhesion of the second layer of the cover member to the lid and thereby detach the cover from the container assembly to allow the beverage to be drunk through the drinking opening.

Claims 12 - 14 (previously canceled)

Claim 15 (currently amended)

15. A method as recited in ~~claim 14~~claim 11, further comprising the step of re-attaching the cover member to the container assembly in the cover mode.

Claim 16 (original)

16. A method as recited in claim 11, in which the step of providing the cover member further comprises the steps of:

providing a substrate material; and
arranging a plurality of cover members on the substrate material; and
removing one of the cover members from the substrate material.

Claims 17 – 20 (previously canceled)